

December 12, 2007

(via email)

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Re: Request for extension of the comment period, related to the Mitigated Negative Declaration documents for the Palos Verdes Gas-to-Energy Center

Dear Mr. Acosta,

The Palos Verdes Unified School District Council of PTAs respectfully requests the agency to extend the time for review of the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) from the current date of December 17, 2007 to the date of February 1, 2008.

The Palos Verdes Unified School District Council represents the schools in the cities of Rolling Hills Estates, Rancho Palos Verdes and Palos Verdes Estates, several of which are within a mile of the proposed project. In fact, Rancho Vista Elementary is adjacent to property once used for landfill purposes. On February 24, 2004, the PTA Council resolved to oppose any development on the Palos Verdes Landfill site unless the Palos Verdes community, "...can be guaranteed that such development would not expose our children to any health risks or grave environmental consequences...", and we resolved that any project to which, "...no health risk assessment was conducted to estimate the potential health effects from exposures to dust, chemicals adhering to the dust particulates or volatile organic compounds for the residents and school staff and children" would expose our children and community to an unacceptable level of risk. This concern remains applicable to the most recent proposed project, the Palos Verdes Gas-to Energy Facility Phase II.

We would appreciate your consideration of our request for an extension to the comment period, and an expansion of the Environmental Impact Review (EIR) study to include comprehensive mitigation measures to ensure the safety of our children as required by state and federal regulations.

Sincerely, on behalf of the PVPUSD PTA,

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